

REMARKS

Prior to the present Office Action, claims 1-29 and 38-65 were pending. Applicants hereby cancel claims 39-65 without prejudice to further prosecution at a later date. Claims 66-81 are added. Therefore, claims 1-29, 38 and 66-81 are presently pending in this application.

5 The drawings are modified to add several element numbers and lead lines. Accordingly, a set of REPLACEMENT drawings with the changes made and an ANNOTATED set showing the change made are attached. Changes were only made in sheets 1, 5, 11-12, and 14.

A number of amendments have also been made to the specification, primarily consisting of insertion of text that was previously in the drawings in the parent application (S/N 10 10/562,964). Certain element numbers have also been added. Because of the number of amendments, a substitute specification (clean version) under 37 C.F.R. §1.125 is attached incorporating the amendments, along with a copy showing the amendments using cross-outs and interlineations as required. No new matter has been added.

The Office Action restricted the claims to the following groups:

15 Group I (claims 1-29 and 38),
Group II (claims 39-47), and
Group III (claims 48-65).

Applicants elect Group I (claims 1-29 and 38) without traverse. Claims 1-29, 38 and 66-79 pertain to a method of securing a device to bodily tissue and an attaching means, and appear 20 to read on the elected claims.

New claims 80 and 81 pertain to a method of securing an implantable injection port to bodily tissue, and are withdrawn pending allowance of a generic preceding claim.

Respectfully submitted,

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FIG. 27

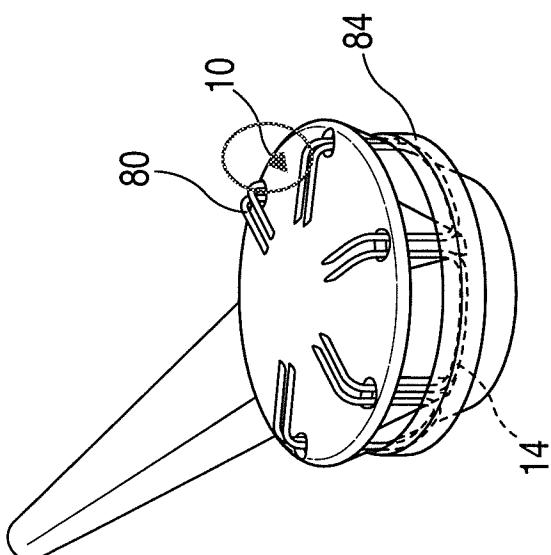


FIG. 26

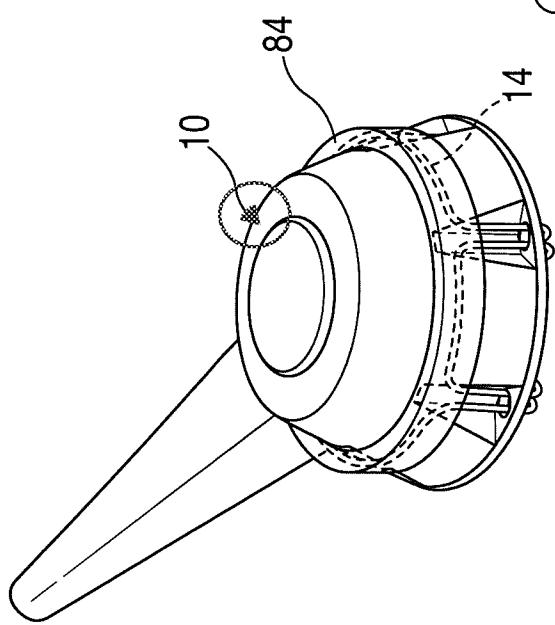
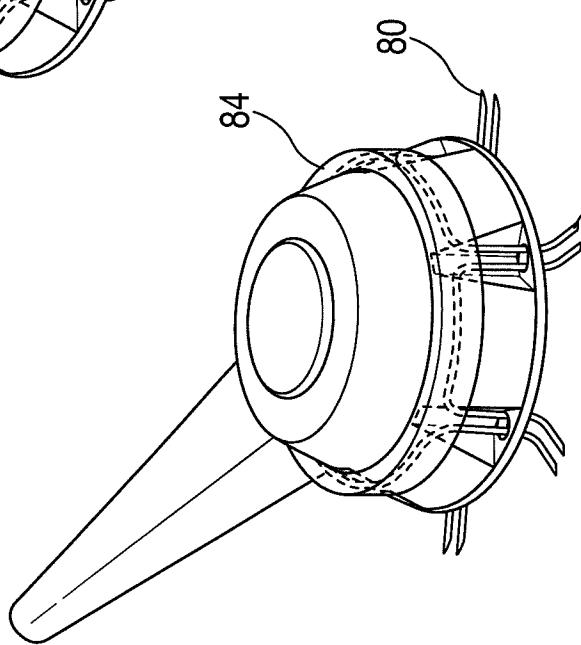


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FIG. 23

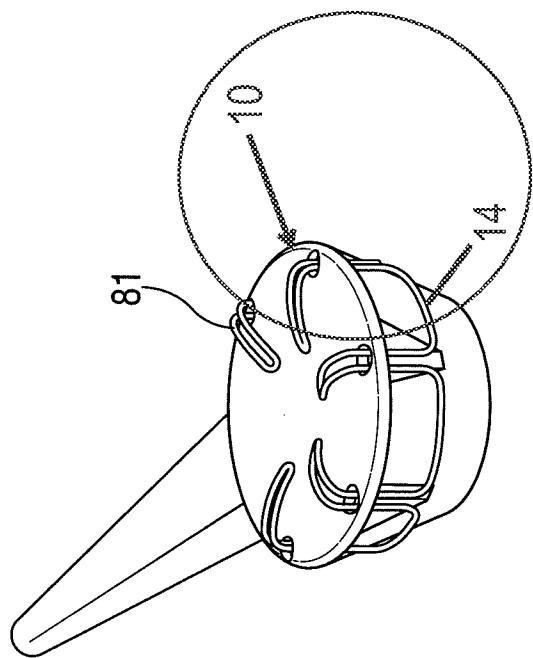
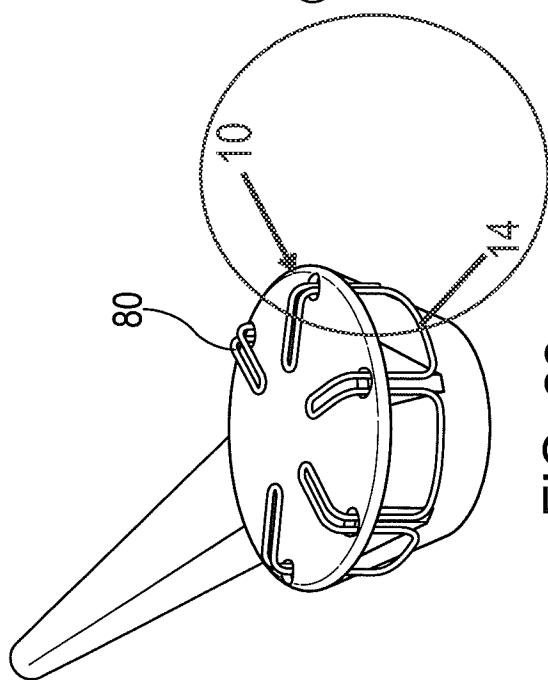


FIG. 22



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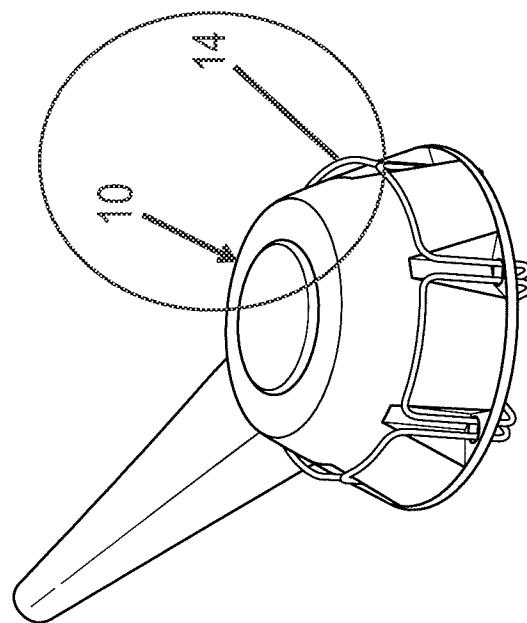


FIG. 21

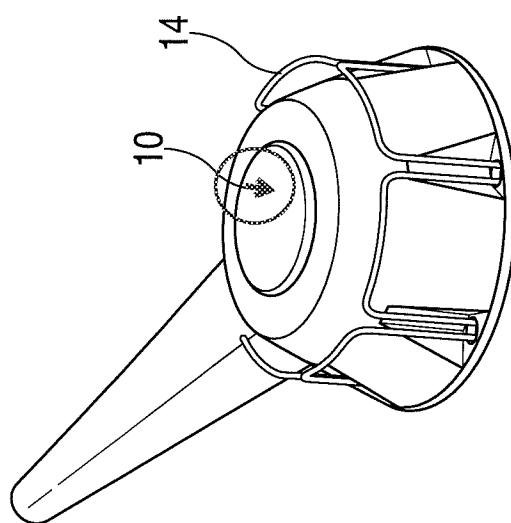
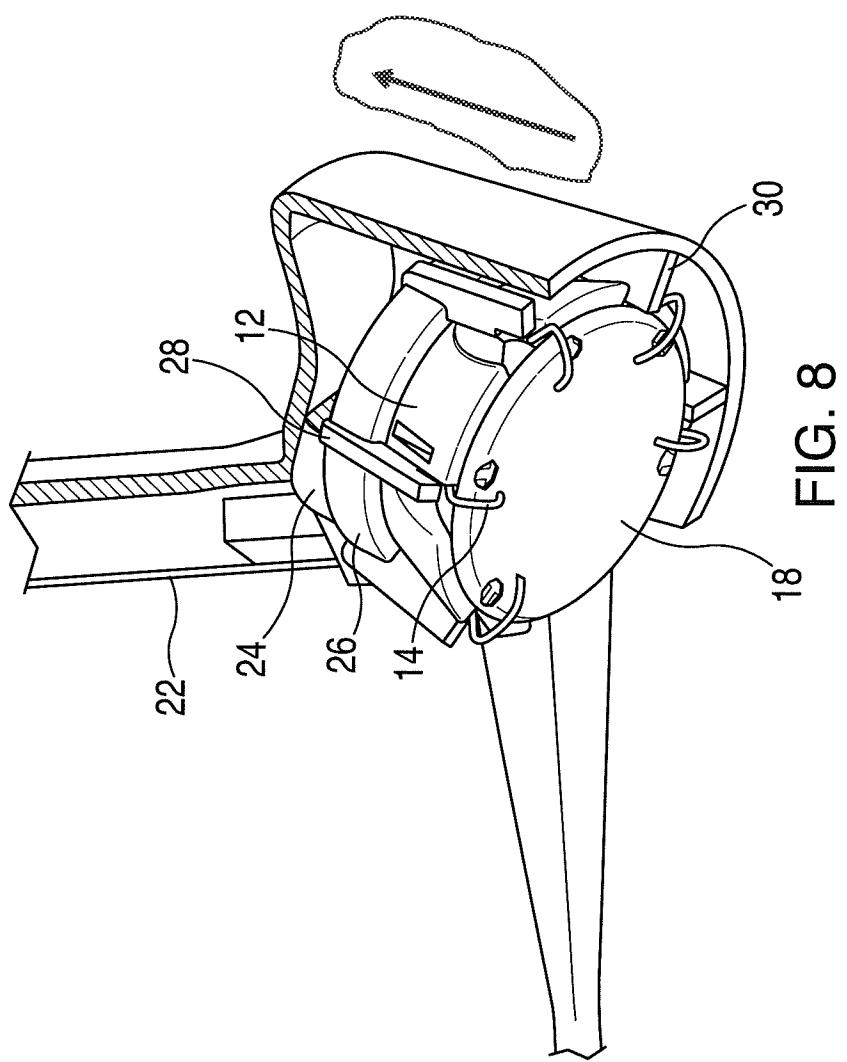


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